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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Shlomo MELMED *et al.*

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MODEL TO STUDY MECHANISMS FOR
VARIOUS PHYSIOLOGICAL PHENOMENA,
INCLUDING DIABETES*

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with Rule 136, Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending to August 2, 2004 the period for response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2004. A check for \$55.00 and the responsive paper is attached.

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